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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sirs,

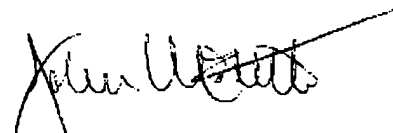
In response to the Official Action dated July 18, 2008, Applicant requests that the Office enter the following marked amendments to the claims, which begin on page 3 of this response. Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance. No new matter has been entered by this amendment. If the Examiner has further questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at phone 011-4171-230-1000, fax at 011-4171-230-1001 (Switzerland is 6 hours ahead of Eastern Std Time), or e-mail at moetteli@patentinfo.net.

The Undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee or credit any overpayment of any fee under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17 which may be required in this application to the deposit account of MOETTELI & ASSOCIES SARL, no. 50-2621.

Respectfully submitted,

Date : 16 Oct 2008


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Enclosure: marked up claims
 Remarks